

UCNC CREATION HIGHLIGHTS 1955 NEWS



A CAPACITY HOUSE OF AROUND 1,200 YOUNGSTERS OF UNION Carbide Nuclear Company employees, including a throng of children of Y-12ers, at one of the UCNC Children's Christmas Parties at the high



school auditorium, are shown in picture at left. At right is a small part of the crowd of about 400 guests at the Y-12 Dance Party at the Oak Terrace. More pictures on Pages Two and Four.

Many Interesting Facts Recalled As Year Near End

UCC, AEC Contract Extension Is Noted; Individuals Are Cited

The fast closing year of 1955 produced a number of important events and developments in the Y-12 Plant Area, a review of happenings as recorded in The Y-12 Bulletin since last January 1 has revealed. Perhaps the outstanding news of the year were the announcements of formation of the Union Carbide Nuclear Company to integrate the diverse activities of Union Carbide and Carbon Corporation in the atomic energy field and another announcement of the extension of the Union Carbide-Atomic Energy Commission contract for operation of atomic energy facilities for three more years.

News of creation of Union Carbide Nuclear Company as a division of Union Carbide came on August 10 from Morse G. Dial, President of Union Carbide. Union Carbide entered the atomic energy field back in 1943 when Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Company contracted with the United States Engineer Corps and the Manhattan District for the construction and operation of the K-25 Plant in Oak Ridge. Since then, UCC has taken over operations at Y-12, the Oak Ridge National Laboratory and the Paducah, Ky., Plant operated for the AEC.

Uranium Mining, Milling Included
In addition, the Corporation provided advisory help for planning and building the AEC Plant at Portsmouth, Ohio, and also is widely engaged in uranium mining and milling activities in Colorado.

Officers of the new Company are Kenneth Rush, President; Clark E. Center, well-known in Oak Ridge for his role as former head of the K-25 Plant and Vice President of the Chemicals Company; Lyman A. Bliss, Oscar Holmgren and Dr. L. M. Currie, Vice Presidents.

Then on November 10 came the announcement from S. R. Sapirie, Manager, Oak Ridge Operations for the AEC, that the contract for operations of the AEC's atomic energy facilities in Oak Ridge and Paducah had been extended until June 30, 1960. Both this news and that of formation of Union Carbide Nuclear Company were taken as a demonstration that relations between UCNC employees, their Company and the Government are on a stronger basis than ever.

Chronologically, news began
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Y-12 Photography Contest Opens January 1; Gives All Snapshot Takers Chance To Vie

Accumulated Points By Weekly Winners Decides Event; Best Pictures To Be Printed In Paper

There's a fascination in snapshot taking—the "shooting" of informal scenes with inexpensive cameras—and many Y-12ers have turned up with some extremely interesting results in their "shutterbugging" in past years.

Now these strictly amateur photographers are going to have an opportunity to match their ability against each other in a photography contest to be sponsored all next year by the Y-12 Recreation Department. Substantial prizes of photographic merchandise will be awarded first, second and third place winners at the end of the year on an accumulated point basis.

The contest is being particularly beamed at the snapshot group—the Y-12ers with the inexpensive cameras who may or may not do their own developing and printing. Of course, the use of the higher grades of cameras is not discouraged and the type of camera does not enter into the contest rules.

Here's how the contest will work.
Contest Held Every Week
Separate contests are held each week, with prints to be submitted to the Recreation Office, Room 221, Bldg. 9704-2 before noon on Wednesday of any week. Weekly judging will be held, more about the judges later, with the weekly winner being awarded 25 points, second place receiving 15 points
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Safe New Year Holiday Urged Of All Y-12ers
The coming week end will see an old year ushered out and a new one entering the scene—with an accompanying official Y-12 Plant holiday proclaimed for Monday, December 2, as a holiday as New Year's Day falls on Sunday. No employees will be required to work on Monday except those needed for the continuous operation and protection of the plant.

With the holiday providing a long week-end for Y-12ers, many are considering out-of-town trips by automobile or other outdoor activities. Y-12 safety authorities urge that all of these holiday activities be approached with a view of safety so that Y-12ers may return to work on January 3 to start the new year hale and hearty.

Particular care is urged in making automobile trips over the long week end. As usual, particularly heavy travel is expected with the congestion adding to the usual traffic hazards. The worst of these hazards to heed on the part of all drivers is to watch their own drinking before or during driving, speeding or other forms of reckless driving and to exercise caution and courtesy at all times.

Just a thought for safety and common sense before undertaking any task over the week end may be a life saver for some Y-12er—most probably his own.

Comin' Up --



Security And Safety Departments Moved

The Security and Safety Departments of Y-12 now are housed in glistening new quarters on the ground floor in the northeast wing of Bldg. 9704-2. Both departments formerly were located on the first floor of the southwest wing of the same building. Moving was completed last Friday after the new sites for both departments had been remodeled.

The visitor's control desk of the Security Department and office of W. T. Hays will be located on the parking lot side of the building. Other Security offices will be across the hall and facing the courtyard. These offices include the badge fabricating machinery, camera for taking badge pictures and the photographic darkroom.

The other space on the parking lot side of the wing will be occupied by the Safety Department. Separate space is provided for the safety engineers and a storage room also has been added for the department.

Telephone numbers for the new offices will remain the same.

The new quarters provide more and better arranged space for both departments.

Credit Union Sets Meeting January 19

Election And Dividend Declaration On Slate

The Y-12 Employees Credit Union will hold its annual election meeting to name officers and committeemen for 1956 and to declare a 1955 dividend on Thursday night, January 19. The meeting will be at 7:30 o'clock in the Green Room of the Ridge Recreation Hall.

Full Attendance Is Urged

The annual meeting is the only general membership gathering of the share holders of the Credit Union during the year. A. M. Schrader, Beta Four Maintenance and president of the organization, has urged every share holder to attend the meeting as it is the rank and file of membership that determines the dividend and elects officers for the year. For the past three years the Credit Union has declared a 4.2 per cent dividend.

A nominating committee has been appointed to prepare a slate of candidates to submit to the members at the December 19 meeting. The group is headed by Evan W. Means, of Research Services, chairman. Other members are Otis Lineberry, Beta Four Maintenance; George Harris, Beta Two; W. E. Davis, Security; and W. O. Prater, Oak Ridge National Lab.
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North Portal Road Closed To Provide More Parking

More parking space has been provided for Y-12ers using the North Portal facilities with the closing of the center entrance road from Bear Creek Road to the lot. This road will be permanently closed and used for parking, creating about 30 additional spaces.

Other portions of the lot have been marked to regulate parking with yellow lines being placed to designate no parking areas. All Y-12ers are urged to observe the parking regulations so as to avoid any traffic congestion and confusion.

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UT Offering Second Course In Engineering, Management

Y-12ers interested in Industrial Engineering and Management being offered by the University of Tennessee Department of Extension are invited to enroll in the second course to be presented during the winter quarter in January. The second course is Industrial Resources, No. 3-13-E. Complete information may be obtained from H. E. Alvey, Collex Operations, plant phone 7904; or Howard McCraw, Mechanical Engineering, phone 7954.

Registration for the course will be held January 5 and 6 with classes opening during the week of January 9. Classes will be held on Thursday nights from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Oak Ridge High School for 10 weeks.

Rides Wanted, Offered

Riders wanted from Harriman to West or Bear Creek Portal, straight day. Raymond W. Curtis, plant phone 7-8301.

Riders wanted from Norwood section via Oak Ridge Highway to any portal, D Shift. F. L. Roberts, plant phone 7272, home phone 6-0105, Knoxville.

Ride or riders wanted from North Hills section, Knoxville, to any portal, F Shift. Charley Catlett, plant phone 7003, home phone 4-8957, Knoxville.

Want to join car pool from 112 Cedar Lane, Fountain City, to North or Central Portal, straight day. F. A. Watson, plant phone 7768.

Riders wanted from LaFollette to any portal, straight day. C. T. Russell, plant phone 7972, home phone 1218 LaFollette.

Three riders wanted from Lenoir City, straight day. Kathryn Ballentine, plant phone 7-8502, home phone 1801-J, Lenoir City.

Riders wanted or will join car pool from Sweetwater, Loudon or Lenoir City to any portal. G Shift. L. D. Best or R. J. Ratledge, plant phone 7749 or home phones 4812 or 4909, Sweetwater.



Get-well wishes are sent the following Y-12 employees who were patients last week in the Oak Ridge Hospital:

Peggy Silver, Project Engineering; Matthew B. Keplinger, Jr., Alpha Five Maintenance; William C. Gordon and O. W. Breedlove, B Mechanical Operations; Russell F. Moyers, Electrical Maintenance; Cecil S. Brown, Buildings and Grounds; Corene Snyder, Product Processing; Andrew S. Peterson, Beta Four Operations; Jasper B. Fincher, Jr., General Machine Shop; Carl E. Smith, Janitors.

20TH CABLE COMPLETED

The 20th cable for transmittal of telephone, telegraph and radio messages recently was completed across the Atlantic Ocean. There now are some 400,000 miles of undersea lines in all parts of the world.



SHOWN HERE ARE WINNERS OF THE FIRST DOOR PRIZES PRESENTED at the Y-12 Christmas Dance-Party. In the picture at left Louise Haydon, left, a nurse at the Y-12 Medical Department, has drawn the lucky number being read out by W. K. Whitson, master of ceremonies; as Y-12 Plant Superintendent J. P. Murray presents an 18-pound turkey to Mrs. George



There's the old saying about "a fool and his money are soon parted" (particularly at Christmas shopping time.)

What the Colyum Conductor wants to know is how did such a combination get together in the first place?

The aforesaid CC now will get down to the task of issuing the last blast of the year—so hear you these words.

MANUFACTURING OFFICE

The Plant Records Department kicked up its heels at a Christmas dance last Thursday night at the Acorn Room of the Oak Terrace.

Earl Good entertained the Cashier and Travel Office folks at a Christmas dinner and party.

Delores Campbell, Receiving and Shipping, vacationed in Clinton.

Betsy Campbell, Materials Controls, left December 23 to join her husband in Phoenix, Ariz.

Stores sends get-well wishes to Pat Keener and Shirley Kirkwood. Emma Puckett spent the holidays in Shelbyville, Ky. Lucia Schults and her husband, Capt. D. C. Shults, of the Guard Department, spent the Christmas holidays with her mother in Easley, S. C.

Jackie Tankersley did likewise with her parents in Chattanooga. Beverly Domer, Property, is vacationing in Kingston. M. L. Ensor and family are in Oak Ridge and North Carolina. Get-well wishes to ailing Bill Plemens.

Methods Engineering reports Jean Raines vacationing at home in Oak Ridge and Kyle Reed doing likewise in Knoxville.

The Accounting Office and Central Files also pitched a Christmas party December 16 with a farewell angle for Evelyn Brackney, well-known and long-time Y-12er who recently left to live in California. Herb Reynolds was visited by Santa up in Elizabethton, Tenn. Tom Stevens dispensed his "Merry Christmas, y'all," down in Georgia. Helen Brown went over to the old homestead in Murfreesboro, Tenn. Jim Sykes and Mrs. S. ambled to Erwin, Tenn., for the holidays.

Irene Turner, Reproduction, went to Charlottesville, Va., for the holidays. Roanoke, Va., drew Violet Sanford for a Christmas visit.

MAINTENANCE

Planning and Estimating extend condolences to E. M. Bittle on the death of his mother-in-law. Likewise to Bill Jennings, whose brother-in-law died a few days ago. Clyde Brewer and his wife, Jean, are back from vacation. Dorothy Blosser and her husband visited her parents in Virginia over the holidays. Mildred White also saw her folks in Nashville while vacationing. H. W. Caldwell just spent his vacation at home in Oak Ridge. H. D. Dun-

can and family journeyed over to Dickson, Tenn., to greet Santa.

H. E. Fry, of the Garage, Christmased over in Bryson City, N. C. Katherine Miller vacationed in Detroit.

J. R. Agee, Alpha Four Maintenance, vacationed in Kingston, getting acquainted with the latest addition to the family. Other vacationers include D. R. Arrowwood at home in Harriman. R. E. Stephens in Chattanooga. O. J. Vanderpool visiting relatives in Kentucky, West Virginia and Ohio. Johnnie Frakes divided time between Oak Ridge and Lawrenceburg, Tenn. R. F. Hawks spent Christmas at home with his boys, home from school. E. R. Mantooth visited his father in Crisco, Ga.

C. W. Mason, Research Services, stayed at home in Oak Ridge while vacationing and reports Mrs. Mason, who recently underwent surgery at Oak Ridge Hospital, is "doing fine." That's fine. Sympathy is expressed to E. L. Pickard, whose brother-in-law died December 17. C. A. Baer has a new son, weighing seven and one-half pounds, born December 20.

Ann Kennedy, of Maintenance Division, vacationed at home in Oak Ridge to greet her soldier-husband, Frank, formerly of Electrical Maintenance—he was discharged at Ft. Jackson, S. C., after 14 months in Germany and blew into town on December 23.

Electrical Maintenance had a lot of folks seeking Santa in near and far places while vacationing—including T. J. Messer, W. J. Wallace, C. W. Mink, C. E. Robinson, L. Daugherty, J. D. Huffman, J. L. Kennedy and George Oliphant. On the sick list and sent get-well wishes are T. B. Hendrix, R. M. Roark, V. B. Williams and Russell Moyers—the latter in Oak Ridge Hospital.

MECHANICAL OPERATIONS John Harding, F Mechanical Operations, and folks are vacationing in Indiana helping his father celebrate his 70th birthday. L. R. Lovelace must be a popular guy—fellows on his shift presented him with a cigarette lighter, and not to burn him up, either. A speedy recovery is wished W. E. Shoopman, ill at his home at Oliver Springs. P. E. Melton and family vacationed in Winston-Salem, N. C. E. E. Kennedy and family are in Bristol, Va., where he hopes to get in some duck hunting.

D Mechanical Operations reports H. Ramsey and C. R. Bates took off for vacations at undetermined points in their search for Santa Claus. T. D. Tucker is the proud father of a new son born December 16 at Oak Ridge Hospital—no further data.

E. W. Forbes, C Mechanical Opera-



A. Strasser, whose husband is Assistant Y-12 Plant Superintendent. At right Whitson repeats his call for the lucky ticket holder and Superintendent Murray gives a five-pound fruit cake basket to Mrs. W. C. Moore, wife of the Y-12 Technical Division Superintendent. Other prize winners not pictured were Mrs. Maggie Bloomer and W. A. Rutherford.



ABOVE ARE THE Y-12ERS WHOSE HELP IN ARRANGING THE CHRISTMAS Dance-Party and decorating the Oak Terrace ballroom was greatly responsible for the success of the affair. From left are Evelyn "Fiz" Tucker, Wanda Livesey, Margaret Marler, Jo Ann Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Gib Hatmaker, W. K. Whitson, Jr., master of ceremonies; Juanita Reed and Harlan Wright, Recreation Supervisor.

tions, vacationed at home and entertained out-of-town company over the holidays. Other home vacationers were J. E. Hale and G. M. Cox.

R. L. Forsyth picked out St. Louis, Mo., in which to do his vacationing. R. Kristich enjoyed the plane ride to Detroit for his Christmas visit. J. Gresham is convalescing and receiving get-well wishes at home after undergoing an operation on his knee.

W. G. Story, E Mechanical Operations, took himself and family to the old family hangout in Paducah, Ky., to see how Kentucky enjoys Christmas.

B Mechanical Operations reports E. D. Freels spent the Christmas holidays with his mother and father in Ohio. J. P. Taylor went to Atlanta to see his daughter and granddaughter. The holidays found E. V. Hawk with friends and relatives in South Pittsburgh, Tenn. J. E. Gilstrap visited his mother and brother in Chattanooga. Quite a flock of Christmas week vacationers. C. H. Radford in Mobile, Ala. J. C. Graves in Memphis with his parents and mother-in-law. G. A. Ware went over to Kings Mountain, N. C., to see kin folks and perhaps do some deer hunting. J. L. Henry just stayed home. H. P. Smith ambled to Athens, Tenn. M. L. Crawford meandered to McMinnville, Tenn., to see relatives and friends. E. D. Douglas was another stay-at-home in Knoxville. W. L. Blackford is somewhere or another—they haven't caught up with him. J. A. Morrison liked home, sweet home in Oak Ridge entertaining his daughter, Priscilla, home from Ohio Wesleyan University. E. L. Pugh has moved into his new home over in Rockwood.

Comings and goings—mostly goings—marked General Machine Shop news of the week. F. E. Crowder spent a couple of weeks in Harriman. Pat Patterson spent part of his vacation visiting his mother in Meade's Chapel, N.

C. . . . Gus Perry is at home in Oak Ridge. C. S. Patty is at home in Knoxville. Kathleen Davis also is at home in Knoxville. Christmas visits were made by J. E. Hargis at Carthage and Nashville. W. W. Chilcoat with his parents at Haleyville, Ala. H. G. Richards at his old home in Columbus, Miss. E. H. Johnson in Bakersville, N. C. E. E. Burns in Birmingham. G. E. Hileman at Morristown, Tenn. Russell Hopper has his daughter, Mrs. Jim Riffle, home for the holidays. Leon Armstrong also is entertaining his daughter from Birmingham for the holidays. The department sends best holiday and get-well wishes to Harold Babb, home at last from the Oak Ridge Hospital after a serious illness. Condolences are expressed for J. T. Firestone, who was called to Bristol, Tenn., because of the death of his father-in-law.

INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

F. C. Lowry, Personnel, and family vacationed over around Centerville in Middle Tennessee visiting his wife's folks.

Penny Keene, Medical, and her husband, Ollie, of Property, spent Christmas in Macon, Ga. Virginia and her husband from Chemical and Industrial Engineering, Bob Slusher, went to Virginia for the holidays. Vacationers include Dr. C. R. Sullivan, Virginia Circle and Evelyn Wilson.

Martha Robinson, Employment, spent a pleasant Christmas appropriately in Mt. Pleasant, Tenn.

Wynetta Patterson, Cafeteria, and her husband from the Guard Department went to Danville, Ky., and Cincinnati, Ohio, to see her brother and mother over the holiday week end.

The Guard Department extends sympathy to Liz Campbell, who was away several days last week because of the tragic traffic accident death of her sister-in-law Mrs. Herbert Kidd in Knoxville December 18. Get-well wishes are sent L. E. Bellamy, who re-entered a Knoxville hospital last

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week . . . C. Cogdill also is on the ailing list and is in a Knoxville hospital for observation and possible surgery.

The Fire Department's **Capt. Dave Turner** vacationed at his home in Norwood.

Meta Butler, Personnel Services, and her daughter, **Betty Jo**, of Medical, journeyed over to their old stamping grounds around Camden, Tenn., for the Christmas week end . . . **Judy Reeves** also was in the same general neighborhood at Crossville.

TECHNICAL

Harold M. Fitzgerald, Special Testing, is vacationing with relatives up in Burnside, Ky. . . **Fran Kelly** and **Margaret Brooks** are visiting at their homes in Alabama . . . **J. M. Saari** is at home in Knoxville . . . **Sewell Howard** is somewhere around hunting ducks . . . Get-well wishes to the family of **H. R. Gwinn**, for whom he played nursemaid before the holidays.

Fran Willie, Project Engineering, saw Santa at Mayfield, Ky. . . **Ronnie Stenglin** took the entire week off to see The Old Man With The Whiskers . . . Other vacationers doing likewise but in unreported hideouts include **John Snyder**, **Louis Tillman**, **Jack Terrell** and **H. F. Akin**.

Dr. J. W. Strohecker, Process Design, enjoyed a quiet vacation—so quiet he didn't reveal his whereabouts . . . **Nora Moss** took a full two-week vacation and divided it between Oak Ridge and her old home at Winchester, Tenn.

Chemical and Industrial Engineering has a flock of folks on the road vacationing—**Bob Orrison** is in Anniston, Ala. . . **T. A. Andrews** went to Birmingham . . . **I. G. Speas** is in Florida . . . **J. W. Foresman** is at home becoming acquainted with his new daughter, **Belinda Jill**, born December 18 at Oak Ridge Hospital weighing seven pounds . . . **C. K. Morris** is an at-homer in Knoxville . . . **J. T. Blackmon** has returned after a Florida trip and wishing he was back there again.

Santa Claus had to go 'way down in Mississippi to call on **H. G. Tiller** and his youngsters, **Glenna** and **Scotty** . . . **J. H. Boyd** and family also had to change their holiday address to Sparta, Tenn., where **Janet Boyd** and her parents visited his mother . . . **Ruth Ann Huffman** journeyed to Dayton, Ohio, to see her folks for Christmas . . . **E. A. Crowe** and his wife spent the holidays and vacation with his parents in Birmingham . . . **O. E. Gilcrease** and the missus really put the miles on during the holidays—went first to Paris, Tenn., to see her folks for a day or so, then on to Baton Rouge and New Orleans, La., and thence to Winfield and Natchitoches and winding up in Shreveport.

ALLOY

Alpha Four's **LeRoy Vaughan** hit the trail for Oklahoma with hubby "Arky," of ORNL, and progeny, for the holidays after the chicken pox epidemic subsided at their house . . . **Walt Williams** cracked the whip in hopes Saint Nick would come down the chimney of that new home he is building . . . **George Burton** is taking it mighty easy with kin folks in Knox County with a bit of cottontail hunting tossed in for variety . . . **Joe Youngblood** and his purty little wife, **Pearl**, took off for some state that's overloaded with big yellow roses while **Ben Schmidt, Jr.**, decked the halls with boughs of holly from Atlanta, Ga., to Coffeyville, Kan. . . **Larry McLaughlin** favored an inexpensive, statewide Florida vacation visiting relatives in most stops but went on to Key West—no relatives there, alas, but the turtle steaks were good . . . **A. K. Self** didn't spend his vacation in Siler City, N. C., alone—"Her" Self and the kiddies went along . . . **Al Gillen** had a kissless (what, no mistletoe) Christmas in Paducah, Ky., visiting his parents. . . **Jim Jacobs** is reported to have

Y-12 Bumpers Forge To All-Carbine Lead

Maple Moppers Maul Kingpins Of K-25

The Bumpers climaxed a sharp drive underway for several weeks to put the Y-12 bowling team on top in the All-Carbine Scratch Bowling League when they trimmed the Hawkeyes, also of Y-12, for four points on December 20. Meanwhile, the Kingpins, sole K-25 entry in the circuit, continued its slump and lost a whitewash defeat to the up and coming Maple Moppers, another Y-12 outfit, dropping the K-25 crew from a previous tie for first place. The Wheels, Oak Ridge National Laboratory combine, pushed the Y-12 Left Overs from third to fifth place by taking a four-point win.

The Maple Moppers were aided in their triumph over the King Pins by Elmore Koons' 194 game and 545 series, the latter tally being best of the session. Collins, of the Bumpers, however, had high game of the night with 197.

League standing follows:

| Team | W | L |
|---------------------|--------|--------|
| Bumpers, Y-12 | 35 | 13 |
| King Pins, K-25 | 31 | 17 |
| Maple Moppers, Y-12 | 26 1/2 | 21 1/2 |
| Wheels, ORNL | 26 1/2 | 21 1/2 |
| Left Overs, Y-12 | 24 1/2 | 23 1/2 |
| Hawkeyes, Y-12 | 1 1/2 | 46 1/2 |

Hawks Capture Top Volleyball Perch

Only one match was played in the Y-12 Plant Volleyball League last week, the Hawks taking over undisputed possession of first place with a three-point victory over the Sooners. The Hawks won two straight games, 15-13 and 15-5, thereby winning three points.

League standing follows:

| Team | W | L |
|----------|---|---|
| Hawks | 9 | 0 |
| Sooners | 6 | 3 |
| Volsters | 3 | 3 |
| Mud Hens | 0 | 6 |

spent a rootie-tootie vacation right in Oak Ridge . . . **John Smith, Jr.**, was reported doing his Christmas tree decorating in Pine Bluff, Ark.

Mary Jo Otten, Collex Operations, is visiting friends and relatives in Nashville while vacationing. Others away are **D. E. Stone** and **Bobby Bagwell**.

Vacationers from Beta Two include **W. C. Boling** in Macon, Ga. . . **R. C. Human** at Lansing, Tenn. . . **Natalie Potter** in Cincinnati . . . **Harry Shatley** in Elizabethton, Tenn. . . **W. R. Branscom** in Virginia and **Barbara DeMarcus** in Mississippi . . . **Harvey Lockland** spent his at home in Oak Ridge.

Beta Four extends get-well read quick wishes to **R. G. Hendrick**, who was operated on in Oak Ridge Hospital . . . Congratulations to **H. H. Williams** and the missus on the arrival of a daughter on December 13 that weighed seven pounds, seven and one-half ounces . . . **J. T. Horn** spent a few peaceful days in Crossville last week . . . **C. R. Hudson** spent the holidays in Knoxville and **Earl Tweed** went to the Tar Heel territory of Nawth Ca'lina . . . Best wishes went with **John R. Crowe** who left last week for Army duties at San Antonio, Tex.

SUPERINTENDENTS

Plant Shift Superintendent Dan Rader is vacationing in Oak Ridge. . . **Jean Grannstaff** is down in Middle Tennessee.

General Utilities has **R. P. Mann** vacationing at his West Tennessee home.

CHEMICAL

Connie O'Neil, Product Processing, is vacationing at home in Knoxville . . . **E. K. Yates** also is off this week . . . Rapid-recovery wishes to **V. E. Justice**, on the sick list.

As the time for making New Year's resolutions is rapidly approaching—the Colyum closes the books for 1955 with the most sincere wishes to everyone for a prosperous, healthy and safe 1956.

See you next year.

A Shift Shoot Draws Nearly 100 Entrants

Nearly 100 Y-12ers working on the A Shift turned out for the shift turkey shoot held Tuesday, December 20, at the Oak Ridge Sportsmen's Association outdoor range. The cold wind of the day failed to chill the target eyes and trigger fingers of the contestants and 15 turkeys and eight hams were given to winners in the target competition with both shotguns and rifles being fired.

Photography Contest To Open January 1

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and every non-winning entry getting five points.

At the end of each month, the best picture of the month will be selected, but no points will be awarded for those prints. Then, at the end of the year a final run-off will be held to determine the "Picture of the Year" from the 12 best monthly pictures. The "Picture of the Year" winner will receive an award equal in value to the accumulated point winner over the 12-month period.

To further encourage picture making by strictly amateurs no pictures may be entered in the Y-12 contest that have won prizes in any other contest. A prize is considered any award, such as ribbon, cup, citation or cash.

All pictures submitted in the contest must be black and white prints. The size must not exceed five inches in any dimension. This will permit entry of the more popular sizes of snapshots made of "contact" prints direct from negative to paper.

As the winning prints each week will be printed in The Bulletin, glossy prints are preferred, although any clear photograph certainly will be acceptable. The glossy prints reproduce better in the newspaper than do others. Retouching is permissible for either print or negative, but only to bring out highlights and not to alter the scene.

In making the snapshots, try and let the picture tell a story and the subject be of general interest. For instance, one of those "fish caught in the parlor" pictures cannot compare with an action picture of the same fisherman landing his catch in value. Endeavor to have the subjects at ease in every case. Animal and pet pictures usually are good material. It is immaterial whether pictures are made indoors or outdoors—with or without flash. It's the finished product that counts.

All pictures entered in the contest must be submitted within one year of the date taken.

Camera Club Members To Judge

Now, as to judging. Members of the Carbine Camera Club have agreed to act as judges for the weekly contests, with judges for the Y-12 pictures being selected from Camera Club members employed at another Union Carbide Nuclear Company plant in Oak Ridge. Comments of the judges will be forwarded to the weekly contestants.

Members of the Carbine Camera Club have heartily endorsed the Y-12 contest and, of course, are welcome to compete along with any other Y-12er. The contest, however, is not being conducted as a campaign for the Camera Club membership but purely for the entertainment and interest of every Y-12er who likes to make a permanent film and paper record of incidents concerning his daily life—life with the youngsters, outings, sports, travel, vacation activities and other subjects.

The Recreation Department and The Bulletin is hopeful that the photography contest will be a success right from the start. A telephone call to 7751 will bring as much information as possible to prospective contestants.

So start those prints rolling in right after January 1, 1956, and keep 'em rolling up to the last of December when the 1956 contest will end.

Wizards Take Lead In Plant Hoop League Bums, Hawks, Cascade Kids Unbeaten

High And Low Scoring Games Feature Contests; Play Will Be Resumed Next Tuesday, January 3

The Wizards put two more wins on the Y-12 Plant Basketball League books last week, one by a forfeit, to take over undisputed possession of the first place in the circuit. The Bums could only grab off one triumph and dropped to second place, although having four victories to their credit without a loss. The only other undefeated

The Wizards rolled up an 11 to 2 lead in the first period over the Ridgerunners and coasted in for their hardwood activities of the week. Taylor and O'Neal each got 11 points for the victors, their scoring performances being matched by Henry, of the losers.

Lucky Five Loses Opener

The Lucky Five quintet also made its debut last week, but wasn't very lucky against the Bums, who romped to a 64 to 22 decision. The second placers ran up a 22 to 8 margin in the opening quarter and increased it at will during the rest of the game as a result of the sharpshooting of Kahler, who dropped 22 points through the hoops; and Forrester, who was close behind with 18. Foresman and Miller each had eight for the Lucky Five.

The Bombers kept right on the heels of the leaders in the league by turning in their third and fourth triumphs of the season against one loss. The Junkers were the victims in a low-scoring engagement by the count of 29 to 10. The basket seemed to have been shrunken for both teams in the opening period as the Junkers led by the unusual score of 2 to 1. The Bombers added nine points in the second round while the Junkers failed to score and the halftime tally was 10 to 2. The winners racked up a dozen points to but two in the third period and outscored their opponents by 7 to 6 in the windup period. Baker got 11 points for the winners.

Bombers Blast Wildcats

However, in their other clash of the week the Bombers really found the range and blasted the luckless Wildcats by 54 to 24. In this one the Bombers held their foes without a single point in the first quarter while posting 13 of their own, then coasted on to their win. Frost got 13 and Little nine points for the winners while Meeler and Thompson each had eight for the Wildcats.

The Cascade Kids made their debut a success by also picking on the Junkers for a 42 to 38 win. The Junkers showed an improvement of form in this clash over their performance against the Bums and led their foes by 21 to 16 at the half way mark. However, the Cascade Kids rallied to go ahead by 31 to 29 at the three quarter pole and held on for the decision. E. Thomas got 16 and C. Thomas 14 points for the winners. Branson tallied 10 and Ingle eight for the Junkers.

Junkers Finally Get Win

Still showing improvement the Junkers finally broke into the win column of the standings with a 57 to 26 crushing the Owls. The winners only had a 10 to 9 margin at the end of the first session but turned on the heat for the rest of the way for an easy victory. Ingle got 19 points and Silvus 16 for the jolly Junkers while Teno led the losers with 10 tallies.

The Owls also flew low against the Ridgerunners, the latter outfit taking a 43 to 30 win by assuming an early lead and increasing it substantially throughout. Hill and Henry tied for high point honors for the winners with 12 each and were pushed by Lawley with 10. Hensley kept the Owls in the air with 12 points and Teno got nine in this one.

The Hot Shots could not assemble sufficient players for their two scheduled contests of the week and the defections gave the Wizards and B Bombers victories by the easy route.

Play in the circuit will be resumed next Tuesday, January 3.

Wolves Grab Lead In Classic Loop

The two-week tie in the Classic League was broken last week when the Wolves forged out in front by taking four points from the Cubs while the Rippers dropped to second place with a three-point triumph over the All Stars. Whitewash victories also were turned in by the Screwballs over the Rebels and the Bumpers over the Tigers. The Swingsters took the Playboys and the Wasps stung the Has Beens, each by three.

Despite being on the losing side Joe Pryson, of the Cubs, had a good night in individual scoring with a 214 scratch game, 594 scratch series and 648 handicap series for tops. Baker, Screwballs, had a 247 handicap game. The Screwballs led in team handicap scoring with a 1019 game and 2954 series while their victims, the Rebels, posted an 827 scratch game and 240 7scratch series.

League standing follows:

| Team | W | L |
|------------|----|----|
| Wolves | 14 | 2 |
| Rippers | 13 | 3 |
| Screwballs | 12 | 4 |
| Bumpers | 9 | 7 |
| Cubs | 8 | 8 |
| Swingsters | 8 | 8 |
| Playboys | 7 | 9 |
| Wasps | 7 | 9 |
| Has Beens | 6 | 10 |
| Tigers | 5 | 11 |
| All Stars | 5 | 11 |
| Rebels | 2 | 14 |

Q Balls, Hot Wires Tie For Half Honors

In a neck and neck finish, the torrid C League race closed its first half of play last week with the Q Balls and Hot Wires deadlocked in a first place tie. The two teams met in a crucial conflict last Wednesday but had to be content with an equal division of the four big points at stake. The two teams will stage a roll-off contest for first half of the season honors.

Murderer's Row finished second, although losing four points last week. The Deltas and Rusty Five each racked up four points and ended in a tie for the next spot. The Sooners also were winners by a whitewash last week with the Hornets and Glass Arms each losing four. The second half of the season will begin tonight.

League standing at the end of the first half of the season follows:

| Team | W | L |
|----------------|----|----|
| Q Balls | 38 | 22 |
| Hot Wires | 38 | 22 |
| Murderer's Row | 34 | 26 |
| Deltas | 31 | 29 |
| Rusty Five | 31 | 29 |
| Hornets | 26 | 34 |
| Sooners | 24 | 36 |
| Glass Arms | 17 | 43 |

The Recreation Department now is working on the schedule for the remainder of the first half of the season and copies of the slate will be sent to each manager as soon as it is completed.

League standing follows:

| Team | W | L |
|--------------|---|---|
| Wizards | 5 | 0 |
| Bums | 4 | 0 |
| C Hawks | 2 | 0 |
| Cascade Kids | 1 | 0 |
| B Bombers | 4 | 1 |
| Ridgerunners | 2 | 1 |
| Wildcats | 1 | 2 |
| D Doodies | 1 | 2 |
| Junkers | 1 | 4 |
| Lucky Five | 0 | 1 |
| Owls | 0 | 4 |
| Hot Shots | 0 | 6 |

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breaking early in January when Dan H. Rader, Plant Shift Superintendent, reached his 25th anniversary as an employee of Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Company. S. F. Creigh, B Shift Superintendent, reached a similar milestone on April 7. Both were honored at the annual Carbide Service Award Banquet at South Charleston, W. Va., on November 4 when 160 employees observed their quarter-century mark of employment. All received handsome gold watches for their long service.

January also saw Dave Samuels, Product Processing, receive second prize in the Christmas, 1954, house lighting contest in Oak Ridge. He had won first prize in 1951 and 1952. As a forerunner to settling up income taxes with Uncle Sam, Y-12ers received their W-2 withholding tax statements from the Company giving their earnings for the previous year.

First Baby Born January 4

The first Y-12 baby of the year was born on January 4, when Bobby Cooper, General Machine Shop, became father of a son born at Oak Ridge Hospital. About the same time announcement of a series of supervisory conferences with 250 Y-12 supervisors to study Company philosophies and objectives was made.

The Y-12 Plant Area safety record for 1954 was reviewed late in January, 1955, to show that the 1954 mark was about the same as the good mark of 1953. During 1954 there were 17 lost time accidents in the plant as against 15 the previous year. However, only 969 days were lost in 1954 with 2,788 in 1953. The accident frequency rate in Y-12, the number of accidents per 1,000,000 hours of plant operations, was 1.43 and the severity rate, number of days lost per 1,000,000 hours of plant operations, was only .09.

The plant's 1955 safety mark has lagged behind those of the past few years with still a few more days to go in the year. Three periods of more than 1,500,000 man-hours of operations have been established this year with the last and longest ending last September 21.

Three Safety Periods Established

The 14th Union Carbide Safety Period was concluded March 11 after 58 days and 2,058,500 accident-free hours of work were performed. The 15th Safety Period ended May 9 and also lasted 58 days with 2,034,574 hours being worked safely. Then came the 16th Period that extended for 84 days with 2,825,087 hours of operations with no lost time accidents. It was the third longest period ever established in Y-12.

Going back to January again, the Y-12 Employees Credit Union met on January 20 and for the third straight year declared a dividend of 4.2 per cent. Directors and committeemen for the year were elected and at a later meeting of the new board A. M. "Pete" Schrader, Beta Four Maintenance, was elected president, succeeding Morris J. Fortenberry, of SDA Development.

Red Cross Drive Successful

Y-12's first charity fund drive opened on March 1 with R. A. Walker, Superintendent of the Maintenance Division named plant chairman for the annual Oak Ridge Chapter Red Cross fund raising campaign. With a goal of \$5,000

set, generous Y-12ers speedily raised \$7,178.66, topping the assigned quota by 43.5 per cent.

An interesting reunion of five servicemen who returned to work in Y-12 after four years in the United States Air Force came late in March. Back in January of 1951 Charles Kirkwood, Harold Little, Richard Garland, C. J. Maddux, Jr., and W. M. Maddux enlisted at the same time and all returned within a few days of each other. Garland and C. J. Maddux, Jr., remain on the payroll, but the other three have left.

Historic Picture Published

On April 6 The Bulletin published a picture that was of great interest as it showed the heads of the Company installations at both Oak Ridge and Paducah together for the first time. In the picture were S. R. Sapirie, Oak Ridge Operations Manager for the Atomic Energy Commission; R. G. Jordon, Paducah Plant Superintendent; L. B. Emlet, Company Manager of Operations; Adm. Lewis Strauss, AEC Chairman; Clark E. Center, Vice President of the Company; Dr. C. E. Larsen, then director of Oak Ridge National Laboratory; John P. Murray, Y-12 Plant Superintendent; and A. P. Huber, K-25 Plant Superintendent. The picture was widely reprinted elsewhere.

Civil Defense activities marked the month of May as The Bulletin published a map showing preferred routes for evacuation of the Y-12 Plant Area in case of emergency. On June 15 an evacuation alert test was staged throughout the Y-12 Plant Area with 85 per cent of the employees at work at the time hearing signals sounded on the air horns of the plant. The signal was sounded as a part of Operation Alert 1955 held through the country.

Cafeteria Is Remodeled

May also marked the beginning of the extensive remodeling work at the Y-12 Cafeteria, the dining hall being closed May 27 and re-opening June 29. During the month a large amount of new equipment was placed in the kitchen, the dining room was floored with tile, new tray racks were put in and other improvements made.

On June 15 Union Carbide was presented with the Award of Honor from the National Safety Council as the Corporation had its safest year in 1954. The Y-12 Plant greatly aided in this move with marks below the general UCC record. Later in the year, on July 27, the Y-12 Plant received an Award of Merit from the AEC for its 1954 safety achievements.

July 1 was a red letter day around all Union Carbide installations in Oak Ridge and elsewhere as UCC Savings Plan checks were distributed. In Oak Ridge alone 12,112 UCC employees received a total of \$9,911,786 as their part of the melon.

July also marked the official commendation of two Y-12ers in the Tennessee National Guard for showing great coolness in administering first aid to and probably saving the life of a fellow Guardsman who was struck by lightning while their company was on maneuvers in Georgia. The Y-12ers were William E. Ramsey, Beta Two; and William G. Rains, Colex Operations.

One of the most unusual vacations ever planned by a Y-12 em-



OLD SANTA CLAUS MADE A LOT OF YOUNGSTERS OF Y-12ERS HAPPY AT THE UNION CARBIDE NUCLEAR Company Children's Christmas Parties at the high school auditorium. Snapped at random after one of the affairs are, above from left, Mrs. J. C. Parton and daughter Janet, 4½, whose daddy is with Beta Four Operations; Mrs. George McMahon, wife of a Y-12er in Beta Two, holding son, Ken, 10 months, and with daughter Sharon, 6; Mrs. J. M. White, whose husband is in Research Services, with daughter Rebecca, 3.



THE FOUR YOUNGSTERS AT LEFT ALL ARE CHILDREN OF LEO HEMPHILL, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, from left being Pam, 9, Debbie, 4, Jeff, 8, and Chris, 7. Chris was torn between waiting for the personal visit from Santa Claus or going home to celebrate his birthday. At right, Mrs. Mozelle Kennedy, a former Y-12er and wife of John Kennedy, of Electrical Maintenance, gazes fondly at her two sons, Carl, 8, and Joe, 3.

ployee began early in September when Kay Sideris, of Project Engineering, left on a European trip that took her to Greece, Italy, England, France and Belgium. Her prime objective was to visit two brothers of her father who lived in Athens, Greece. On November 30 The Bulletin published several interesting pictures of this trip.

On September 14 it was announced in The Bulletin that Dr. C. E. Larson, Director of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory and former Y-12 Plant Superintendent, would become a Vice President of National Carbon Company, another UCC Division, on October 1. Dr. Larson was head of the Y-12 Plant from February 10, 1948, to February 10, 1950, when he went to ORNL.

Community Chest Goal Topped

The second charity campaign of the year came late in October when W. K. Whitson, Jr., Superintendent of the Alloy Division, was named chairman of the plant committee raising funds for the Oak Ridge Community Chest. Again the Y-12 Plant led all Oak Ridge units in its Chest division in reaching its goal. A quota of \$14,500 was assigned Y-12ers for the Oak Ridge Chest and the Roane County Community Chest also made an appeal for funds for its red feather agencies. When Y-12 reports were complete \$15,739 had been raised for Oak Ridge and \$2,171 for Roane County. The Oak Ridge goal was exceeded by eight per cent.

As the year neared a close, plans for Christmas parties of various sizes were launched by many departments and divisions throughout the Y-12 Plant, including the annual Union Carbide Nuclear Company party for children and the Dance-Party for adult Y-12ers. All were attended by capacity audiences.

**OLD FAVORITES FEATURE
SPECIAL LUNCH MENUS**

Two old favorite dishes with Y-12 luncheoners will be featured on the 50-Cent Special Lunches to be served at the Cafeteria tomorrow, Thursday, December 29; and to start the new year off right on next Tuesday, January 3. For the last Special Lunch this year the entree will be barbecued chicken on a toasted bun with cole slaw. To launch the new year the main dish will be veal paprika with buttered noodles. Each lunch also includes one vegetable, choice of salad or dessert and rolls and butter.

10 Years Service

Congratulations to the following Y-12 employees who will complete 10 years of Company Service within the next few days:

Clay H. Jarvis, General Utilities, January 1.

Foyster Miracle, Special Testing, January 2.

James W. Emch, Buildings and Grounds, January 4.

**Mixed Loop Takes
Holiday Last Week**

The Mixed League of Y-12 men and women bowlers postponed their regular scheduled session of alley activities last Wednesday because of the Christmas holiday season and will resume bowling on next Wednesday night, January 4.

The Mixed League is proving exceptionally successful this sea-

Credit Union Sets Meeting January 19

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Five Directors To Be Elected

Five members of the seven-member board of directors will be elected at the annual meeting. Directors whose terms are expiring are President Schrader, Morris J. Fortenberry, Development Operations; Mrs. Lorena Causey, treasurer of the Credit Union; A. J. Fisher, Security; and Jesse Guinn, Training. Guinn was elected by the board to fill an unexpired term. Normally terms of the board members alternate with three expiring one year and four another.

The holdover members of the board of directors are W. O. Elam, chief of the Fire Department; and J. Paul Blakeley, ORNL.

Committeemen To Be Named

Three of the six members of the Credit Committee are to be elected. Holdover members are W. R. McGill, Fire Department captain; A. L. Conte, Project Engineering; and C. M. West, Health Physics. Retiring members are C. V. Ketron, ORNL; E. A. Cobble and Fred M. Henry, both of Buildings and Grounds.

On the three-member Supervisory Committee the terms of H. A. Reed, Chemical; and Clifford Knisley, Special Salvage, expire. W. A. Coggins, Salvage, is the holdover member.

son and popular with both the men and women team members. Close competition is being waged with the Nip and Tucks now out in front.